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MICHI GIRL'S WEEKEND FORECAST

No sign of Lycra

To improve my chances of slipping a piece about bikes into the fashion pages, I've come up with a cunning plan: put a fashiony spin on the whole bike riding thing. If I dedicate a few lines to the offensiveness of Lycra and how I'd like to reduce the amount of sweaty blokes drinking coffee in tight pants and cleats, then maybe they'll overlook the fact that I've gone completely off brief on my very first assignment. I was asked to go and



And at just a sniff more than \$400, it's half the cost of the shoes I was planning to write about.

Happy Lycra-free weekend!
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www.glamourflage.com.au

Youth seekers who know their glycosaminoglycans from their antioxidants will have no trouble grasping the fine-print promises on a bottle of Youth Elixir tonic. For the rest of us, "weight loss", "anti-ageing" and "hangover cure" should be reason enough to nut out a way the recommended twice daily dose of 25mls could be incorporated into a

couple of champagne cocktails. (\$29.95 for a 10 day supply.)

Vegetarian, cruelty free, plastic-sandal-wearing, soy-latte drinkers rejoice. The Nvey (pronounced n-vay) Eco brand of organic make-up, a collection of lipsticks, bronzers, fluid and powder foundations, blush, eyeshadow and mascara, is made without all those filthy, disgusting parabens, petrochemicals and synthetic fragrances that the rest of us have to put up with in our Estee Lauders, L'Oreal and Lancomes. (\$29.50 to \$63.50)

Just what is inside Glamourflage's silvery little tins and zipped beauty bags with pictures of 1950s boob-girls on top? Serious skincare with whiffs of freesia, frangipani and tangerine apparently but,

'TIL YOU DROP

Little daaaarlings!



You're never too young to frock up, writes **Janice Breen Burns.**

SO WE'RE CLEAR ON THIS: 50 IS THE new 40, 60 the new 50, 30 the new 20. So on, so forth. We wish so hard to be young, don't we? Which is a poignant irony for grown-up folks out there at Flemington racecourse today. On the last of the Spring Racing Carnival's gala days, the Fashions on the Field stage is traditionally taken over by 10-year-olds wishing they were 20.

Thirteen is the new 22.

Some of the Little Darlings even know how to look it, up there in their kitten heels, feather fascinators and string-strapped scarf frocks: chest out, back straight, bottom in, right knee bent a balletic 20 centimetres forward of the straightened left, chin tilted UP, eyelids ever-so-slightly DOWN. Step. Pause. Turn saintly smile (Angelina Jolie's got nothing on these pint-size poseurs) on the judges if you know what's good for you. Then, exit. Elegantly. Left.

The loves.

There are boy-men too, as accomplished as the girl-women at Sophistication, and as hell-bent on getting their personal chunk of the staggering (I think)

(today a judge among eight including two *Home & Away* starlets). The mission was to lure more women to the track — a malodorous testosterone-zone, apparently, of cheap checked suits and pork pie hats before that — for the Melbourne Cup carnival. It worked. So well, in fact, horseflesh is now all but incidental and the only notable checked suits are \$3000 Armani or Dolce & Gabbana jobs.

It follows then, the Emirates Kid's FOF started in 1995, would lure children to

